## Freedom of Information Act

The Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) is a federal statute. FOIA generally provides that any person has a right to request access to federal agency records, except to the extent the records are protected from disclosure by any of nine exemptions contained in the law or by one of three special law enforcement record exclusions. There are several points to keep in mind regarding FOIA:

Your request must be made in writing and you must provide a "reasonable" description of the records you are seeking.

Agencies have 20 working days to provide an initial response.

Agencies and requestors are encouraged to work together to define the scope of the request and the timing of the response.

Agencies may establish "multi-track" response systems to facilitate the processing of simpler requests, rather than putting all requests in a single "queue."

The ABMC regulation implementing the Freedom of Information Act is set forth at 36 CFR Part 404. Below is a list of FOIA resources:

**FOIA Reference Guide** 

**FOIA Regulations** 

**FOIA Reports** 

**FOIA Plan** 

**FOIA Reading Room** 

Freedom of Information Act requests should be mailed to the following point of contact:

American Battle Monuments Commission Attn: FOIA 2300 Clarendon Blvd., Suite 500 Arlington, VA 22201 FOIA@abmc.gov

If you have any questions, please contact:

FOIA Requestor Service Center: Beatriz Collazo 703-696-8384

FOIA Public Liaison Office: Jennifer Li 703-696-6781

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